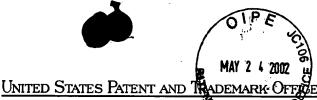
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An Abstract not to exceed 150 words in length, commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.72(b)).

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Sir:

Responsive to the Notice To File Corrected Application Papers mailed March 28, 2002, applicants hereby respond by filing the attached Abstract on a separate sheet according to 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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